



**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
EXAMINING GROUP 2174
Docket No.: 1046.1213**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Takeshi KUMAZAWA et al.

Serial No. 09/555,057

Group Art Unit: 2174

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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed December 18, 2003, and having a period for response set to expire on March 18, 2004. A Petition for a two-month extension of time, together with the requisite fee for same, is submitted herewith, thereby extending the period for response to May 18, 2004.

Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested. The following remarks are respectfully submitted.